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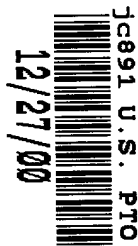
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New U.S. Patent Application  
Title: COMMUNICATION APPARATUS AND  
CONTROL METHOD THEREFOR  
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Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above patent application.

1. Application - 42 pages, including 6 independent claims and 16 claims total.
2. Drawings - 9 sheets of formal drawings containing 16 figures.
3. Certified copy of Japanese Patent Application No. 11-373073, filed on December 28, 1999.
4. Information Disclosure Statement and Information Disclosure Citation, PTO 1449 with documents attached.
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Basic Application Filing Fee					\$710	\$ 710.00
	Number of Claims		Basic	Extra Claims		
Total Claims	16	-	20	0	x \$18	
Independent Claims	6	-	3	3	x \$80	240.00
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This application is being filed under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(f).  
Applicant awaits notification from the Patent and Trademark Office of the time set for filing the Declaration.

Applicant claims the right to priority based on Japanese Patent Application No. 11-373073, filed on December 28, 1999.

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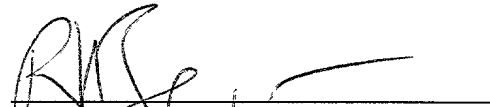
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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional filing fees due and any other fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or § 1.17 during the pendency of this application to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

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